

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF BERNIE EPWORTH

**HON. JOHN H. ADLER**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 11, 2010*

Mr. ADLER of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I would like to congratulate Mr. Bernie Epworth upon the highly successful completion of his term as the Department Commander for the State of New Jersey Jewish War Veterans. He was appointed to this position in June 2009 and throughout his term, has been extremely dedicated to New Jersey's veterans community.

Mr. Epworth was born in Brooklyn, New York. He is a graduate of New York University and served as a First Lieutenant in the Armored Calvary and in the New York National Guard. While serving as Vice President with Temple Beth Shalom in Fair Lawn, NJ, Mr. Epworth earned several awards, including the Centennial Award of Honor from the Jewish Theological Seminary and the Jewish Community Relations Council's 'Community Relations Award.'

Mr. Epworth has achieved many great things throughout the past year in his position of Department Commander for the State of New Jersey Jewish War Veterans. Some highlights of his administration have been organizing the sending of packages to overseas troops through the JWV-SOS Program, helping organize the NJ Coalition of Veterans Organizations, working on the consolidation of inactive posts, and incorporating programs and outside speakers on topics of interest for DCA meetings.

Additionally, he helped to organize this year's 'March on the Hill,' Co-chaired the Veteran's Concert, a fundraiser, and set up a Thanksgiving Dinner for the troops. He lobbied for and accomplished free package shipping to troops via military transport, and assisted in the inauguration of Operation Slam Dunk, which is a project that provides veterans and troops to participate together at Philadelphia 76ers games.

His Commander's Project this year was the furnishing of a Day Room at the Wounded Warrior Building at Fort Dix. This is currently a work in progress and is to be dedicated as the "NJ-Jewish War Veterans Day Room" in June 2010.

Mr. Epworth has given so much of his time and effort for the Jewish War Veterans of New Jersey and I am very proud to have him as a constituent. Madam Speaker, I hope you will join me in congratulating this honorable man for his contributions to his community and to our Nation.

RECOGNIZING THE PASSING OF  
ANTHONY J. "TED" CIANO**HON. JEFF MILLER**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 11, 2010*

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise to recognize the passing of one of Pensacola, Florida's most respected residents, Mr. Anthony Ciano. His life will not soon be forgotten. Instead, his life will be remembered as one embodying the purest virtues of loyalty, hard work and selflessness. For that reason, Madam Speaker, I am honored to recognize the life and deeds of Anthony Ciano on this day.

Born in Akron, Ohio as the son of Italian immigrants, Mr. Ciano moved to Florida to begin his career. Starting out as an automobile mechanic in a new environment, it could have become very easy for him to lose heart and become discouraged. However, never losing sight of the American Dream, Mr. Ciano worked hard and eventually became the manager of several automobile dealerships. In 1968, Anthony Ciano moved to Pensacola and purchased his first automobile dealership. With much diligence and commitment, Mr. Ciano built his Ford dealership into one of the most successful in the region and in the entire country.

In addition to understanding the importance of hard work, Mr. Ciano also knew the value of community service and charity. With an always grateful heart, Mr. Ciano eagerly looked for ways to give to others and contribute to the community. He was involved in numerous civic and charitable organizations throughout Northwest Florida. Whether it was his work to begin the Boys' Club of Escambia and his participation in the Rotary Club, or his support of local law enforcement and the Miracle League Baseball Park for handicapped children, Mr. Anthony Ciano was a leader who was ready to give selflessly of himself for the betterment of those around him and in his community.

Madam Speaker, though Mr. Ciano may have passed, the impact of his life, actions and deeds will forever remain. My wife Vicki and I express the deepest sympathies to his loving wife Natalie and his children.

IN HONOR OF GRAYSON JAMES

**HON. PETE SESSIONS**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 11, 2010*

Mr. SESSIONS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a young man that I have known his entire life, Grayson James. He is a Cub Scout with Pack 437 and saved his father's life on the evening of Thursday, February 11, 2010.

After an afternoon of sledding with his daughter, Mr. Joe James began experiencing

shortness of breath. Upon his return home, Grayson listened carefully as his father, Joe, described his symptoms—shortness of breath, sweating, pain, and being thirsty. With his Readyman training in first-aid, Grayson recognized that his father was having a heart attack and insisted that his mother call 911. The paramedics arrived and quickly rushed Mr. James to the hospital for surgery to repair the blockage in his heart. Grayson's quick thinking, presence of mind, and the utilization of his scouting skills saved his father's life.

For this courageous act, the Boy Scouts of America are awarding Grayson with the Medal of Merit. This prestigious award is given to those who have performed a significant act of service that is deserving of national recognition. He handled the situation with a great sense of calm and confidence, reassuring his family in the midst of this urgent situation. I am tremendously proud of Grayson for applying the principles and skills he learned in Scouting and for being prepared.

Madam Speaker, I ask my esteemed colleagues to join me in congratulating Grayson for receiving the Medal of Merit and in recognizing him for his courage.

WE THE PEOPLE: THE CITIZEN  
AND THE CONSTITUTION NA-  
TIONAL FINALS**HON. ROB BISHOP**

OF UTAH

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 11, 2010*

Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Madam Speaker, from April 24–26, 2010 more than 1,200 students from across the country visited Washington, D.C. to take part in the We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution National Finals.

I am proud to announce that a class from Sky View High School represented the State of Utah at this prestigious national event. These outstanding students, through their knowledge of the U.S. Constitution, won their statewide competition and earned the chance to come to our nation's capital and compete at the national level. At the National Finals, Sky View High School won the Unit One Award by earning the most points in that unit of the textbook, which discusses the philosophical and historical foundations of the American political system.

I also wish to commend the teacher of the class, Mike Rigby, who is responsible for preparing these young constitutional experts for the National Finals. Also worthy of special recognition are Kathy Dryer, the State coordinator and Shanna Futral, the district coordinator who are responsible for implementing the We the People program in my district.

I congratulate these young "constitutional experts" on their outstanding achievement at the We the People National Finals.

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